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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

For:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 10, 1999, be extended for a period of 3 month(s) from November 10, 1999 up to and including February 10, 2000.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$870.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date February 10, 2000

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